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Goldsmith statement on new taxi drivers getting permits: "Their success is our success."

City Attorney Jan Goldsmith issued the following statement today upon the first issuance of a taxi permit in San Diego's newly deregulated taxi market:

"We can all be proud of how quickly San Diego moved to end the taxi-industry monopoly and give our hard-working taxi drivers new opportunities and a bigger stake in our community. Their success is our success. This is what the American dream looks like."

Goldsmith noted that it has been less than a year since Councilmember Marti Emerald and he announced plans to remove the artificial cap on cab permits (see original Union-Tribune article linked below) and during that time the City defeated an industry-funded legal effort to delay its implementation.

He praised Chief Deputy City Attorney Meghan Ashley Wharton for her work on that case.

http://www.sandiegouniontribune.com/news/2014/aug/28/taxi-cab-remove-permit-cap-proposed/